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Founder of French Feminist Ecology Movement to Speak at Concordia

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MONTREAL, November 3, 1980 -- Concordia will play host to one of the founders of France's feminist ecology movement, when Françoise d'Eaubonne comes to speak at the invitation of the university's Simone de Beauvoir Institute November 18.

A professor, journalist and active feminist in her native France since the 1940s, Ms. d'Eaubonne will address the topic: "Féminisme/écologie: révolution ou mutation".

In May 1979 the "Mouvement féminisme-écologie" which d'Eaubonne helped inaugurate, won an astonishing five per cent of the vote when it fielded candidates in the election of delegates to the European Parliament.

In addition to pursuing various activities in the ecological movement, d'Eaubonne is known chiefly as a writer. She produced the first serious critical study of Simone de Beauvoir's work, entitled Le complexe de Diane. D'Eaubonne also has a number of historical novels and biographical works to her credit, several volumes of literary criticism (on Verlaine and Rimbaud, 1960), three collections of poetry (between 1942 and 1957) and political and feminist essays. These include: "Le féminisme, histoire et actualité" (1973); "Le féminisme ou la mort" (1974), also the title of her latest book; and "Les femmes avant le patriarcat".

D'Eaubonne's publications, numbering over thirty to date, have been published in fifteen languages, including Chinese.

The lecture by d'Eaubonne will take place Tuesday, November 18, at 8:30 p.m. in room H-520 of the Hall Building, Sir George Williams campus, 1455 de Maisonneuve Blvd. West.

For further information about this event, call the Simone de Beauvoir Institute, Sir George Williams campus, at 879-8521.

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